UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN SOUTHERN DIVISION

RONALD BANKS,

Petitioner,	Civil No. 2:06-CV-14522	
	HONORABLE PATRICK J. DUGG	iAN
v.	UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDG	GE
MARY BERGHUIS,		
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Respondent,		

ORDER GRANTING PETITIONER'S MOTION TO DISMISS PETITION FOR WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS

On October 16, 2006, Petitioner Ronald Banks ("Petitioner"), a state prisoner presently confined at the Earnest C. Brooks Correctional Facility in Muskegon Heights, Michigan, filed a *pro se* petition for the issuance of a writ of habeas corpus pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2254. Presently before the Court is Petitioner's motion to dismiss the petition, in which he seeks to withdraw his petition while he fully exhausts his state court remedies. Because Respondent has not yet filed an answer, a motion for summary judgment, or any other response to the petition, Petitioner may dismiss his habeas corpus petition and the dismissal is without prejudice. *See* FED. R. CIV. P. 41(a)(1); Rule 11 of the Rules Governing Section 2254 Cases.

Accordingly,

IT IS ORDERED, that Petitioner's motion to dismiss the petition for writ of habeas corpus is **GRANTED** and the petition is **DISMISSED WITHOUT**

PREJUDICE.

s/PATRICK J. DUGGAN UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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Dated: February 26, 2007